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AMENDMENTS

<u>Specification Amendments</u>

Replace paragraph 37 with:

~~The~~ An example of ~~the a~~ log file 50 is <u>shown in FIG. 4. The log file 50 shown in FIG. 4 is</u> a simplified, high level representation of the schema of a log file in accordance with an embodiment of the invention. ~~A more detailed schema that may be used for the log file 50 is attached at Appendix A.~~ In the schema at ~~Appendix A~~ <u>FIG. 4</u>, containers are defined for the system information 52, the services information 54, the application information 56, and compatibility information 58. Each of these containers includes various attribute sub-containers that may be used to store information retrieved by the agent 40. In accordance with an embodiment of the invention, switches or flags may be set on the agent 40 so that particular attributes of the schema may be selected for retrieval by the agent 40 in a collection process. For example, a collection process may define that all system information 52 for a computer may be retrieved, and that only particular attributes of applications 42 be retrieved.